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Memorandum

To: Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Albuquerque,
New Mexico

From: Area Mining Supervisor, SRMA, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Subject: Performance Bond Anaconda Co. Laguna Uranium Leases
(Your memo February 9, 1979)

As of this time there has been no approval of the Jackpile-Paguate Mine final reclamation plan. Until such time that this plan is approved by the various government agencies and the Tribe, the cost of reclamation cannot be fully evaluated.

The purpose of the bond is to insure the lessee's compliance with the regulations, lease terms and the approved mining and reclamation plan. Items 1 and 3 in your memo do not appear to be bondable items. The company is currently establishing adequate air and water monitoring stations as mentioned in your item No. 2.

The company estimates that approximately 3,500 acres may ultimately be disturbed by the mining operations. If I assume a cost of reclamation and other final abandonment requirements of \$3,000 an acre a bond of \$10,500,000 would be required. Since some work has already been done looking toward final reclamation, I am suggesting that a bond of \$10,000,000 be required. Some consideration might be given to the stature, reputation and integrity of the parent company of Anaconda, The Atlantic Richfield Company in determining the final amount of any bond.

As reclamation is completed and approved for affected acreages included in the area under bond, consideration should be given to the lower adjustment of the bond. No purpose is served by maintaining a bond beyond what is necessary to insure compliance.

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